

INDIAN CHRISTMAS DANCE AT PUEBLO INDIAN VILLAGE



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Christmas is celebrated in several ways in New Mexico, according to the habits of various races. The principal observance of the day with all of them is the worship of the Creator. The New Mexico Indians and those of the southwest, who have been Christianized, celebrate this day, but their praying is done with dancing. Such is their custom, and although they

profess Christianity, they insist upon worshipping the Great Spirit according to their own way. The Christmas dance is ordered by the religious leader. Prayers are offered for rain and bountiful crops. It is the only dance in which women are permitted to join. An equal number of sexes form in opposite lines, and after singing and swaying the body, they break

into groups and dance toward each other with a hippety-hop step, slightly raising the feet without changing position. Then, again forming a circle, marching around the open space, they form in front of an altar, kneel, and arising, dance about a Christmas tree which the missionaries have taught them Santa Claus has sent to his good red children.

names I cannot now remember, will confirm what I now here say.

Whether I ever congratulated Colonel Hopewell on anything he may have said or done in regard to statehood I do not remember, but if he says I did, I have no denial to make. I admire Colonel Hopewell for his outspoken candor on any question he espouses, and have often enjoyed his wit and humor and could not find it possible not to congratulate him on any honorable effort he might make. Not having changed my views on this subject I have nothing to apologize for. I do not look at the question in the light that a man is necessarily my enemy because he may differ from me on this subject. I accord to others the same right that I assume to myself of thinking and acting as they please. It is only a difference of opinion on a public matter, in which misrepresentations of another's position helps neither the individual making them nor the cause he represents.

The proposition of joint statehood never came from the people of either territory in the first place, but is simply a re-echo of a sentiment that found its birth among some of our eastern friends, who were jealous of the growing power of the west, and who look at the question through narrow sectionalism. I am not borrowing my ideas from those gentlemen on the statehood question, as I flatter myself that I know more about what we want here than they do. But as this explanation of my attitude is not for the purpose of discussing the merits of statehood from any aspect, I forbear going into that subject now.

GEORGE W. FRICHARD.

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING.

The regular annual meeting of the stockholders of the Bank of Commerce for the election of directors for the ensuing year, and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting, will be held at its banking house on January 1, 1906.

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A special dispatch from Washington dated Dec. 17, says: The postmaster general, in the daily bulletin of his department, has directed the attention of postmasters to abuses of the second-class privilege by certain publications. After setting forth many devices used for evading the law by forcing subscriptions, and quoting the law, he says:

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"5. Copies sent as bonafide exchanges with other publications admitted to the second class, one copy for another.
"6. Individual subscriptions desired as bonafide gifts when paid for by the donors for the benefit of recipients. Such subscriptions will be limited strictly to those coming within that definition, and will not be permitted to be used as a cover for advertising or other purpose of the publisher or donor.

"Under the same rule the publisher may become donor of such gift subscriptions, but in all cases the proportion of these subscriptions to the whole list will be considered and given weight in determining the legitimacy of such lists.
"In this latter class may be included copies sent to prove insertion of advertisements."

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The two automobilists, Percy E. Megargel and David F. Fassett, who are crossing the desert, have a "press agent" at the eastern end of their trip, and are sending out printed accounts of their journey. The Citizen received one of those "printed accounts," dated from Peach Springs, Dec. 12, but this paper, feeling sure that the two men are not carrying along with them a printing office with a job press, and knowing positively well that the automobile company was trying to get a lot of free advertising, refused to print the advanced printed account. Other papers, however, in this territory, and one not very far from The Citizen office, published the "printed account," whether it was so or not, and even placed an advanced date on the account, thus deceiving the public again as to their telegrams.

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HE'S ON THE WAY



ATTORNEY GENERAL PRICHARD DEFINES HIS POSITION

On the All-Absorbing Statehood Question, Objecting to Friends Being Amused at His Conduct.

JOLLIES, COLONEL HOPEWELL ON HIS WIT AND HUMOR

Santa Fe, December 19, 1905.

To The Evening Citizen:

In The Citizen of the 12th inst., appeared the following article:

"WHY IS PRICHARD AGAINST STATEHOOD? FRIENDS OF THE MEASURE ARE HEARTILY AMUSED AT HIS CONDUCT. THE TURN OF THE LEAF.

"The special received by The Citizen yesterday, telling of the part Attorney General George W. Prichard and other New Mexico politicians are taking in the fight against joint statehood at the national capital, brings to the mind of the writer the conduct of Mr. Prichard previous to his appointment to the office of attorney general, thus obligating himself to Governor Otero.

It is a case of the sensitive palm of the leaf of the plant turning with the sun, and basking, profligate and growing under its rays.
"At the outset of the joint statehood movement no more ardent supporter of it could be found than Colonel Prichard of White Oaks, Lincoln county, and it was quite complimentary to the movement to have the colonel's support. He was an attorney at law of reputation, and a gentleman of deep thought, one who had lived under a territorial form of government for many years and was of wide experience.

Colonel W. S. Hopewell says that he remembers when Colonel Prichard came to him and congratulated him on the stand he had taken for joint statehood. Even in California last summer, the writer remembers that Colonel Prichard took great delight in talking joint statehood to the Hon. Marcus Smith, delegate from Arizona. W. H. Greer was another New Mexican who took delight in talking joint statehood to the Hon. Marcus Smith, and so ardent were these gentlemen in their support of joint statehood and so fertile were their arguments that Mr. Smith finally fled to Catalina Island in the Pacific ocean, to escape them.

"Then those who witnessed and heard the able speech made by Colonel Prichard in support of Hon. P. S. Roddy at the last territorial republican convention, will also remember that the colonel, immediately after the convention, made a trip over the territory campaigning for the nominated candidate. Directly after that campaign, the politicians who had on two occasions defeated him for the appointment of district judge, made him attorney general.

"The influence Mr. Prichard ought to have on the members of congress on the statehood matter should act very much as a boomerang."
I ask of you a little space in your valuable paper to say in reply to the above, that at no time or place, in public or in private, verbally or in writing, have I ever said that I was in favor of joint statehood as against separate statehood. The writer of the article above quoted may have been inspired to think that because I took the position at the Las Vegas convention, a year and a half ago, in favor of declaring for statehood simply, without any qualifying clauses, that I favored joint statehood, but there was not an act or a word of mine at that time upon which to draw such inference.

I was in the Albuquerque convention last fall and was on the committee on resolutions at that time and drew and presented the following separate statehood resolution to the committee, and it was unanimously adopted, namely:

"Statehood is the most important question before the people of New Mexico at this time. Our loyalty to the general government, our great progress in natural wealth, our system of magnificent schools, our code of civil and criminal law, our freedom from mob law, our respect for the courts, the extent of our great territory, and the intelligence of our people entitle us to an equal status among